

Ultrafast X-radiography and Tomography of High-Pressure High-Speed Fuel Sprays

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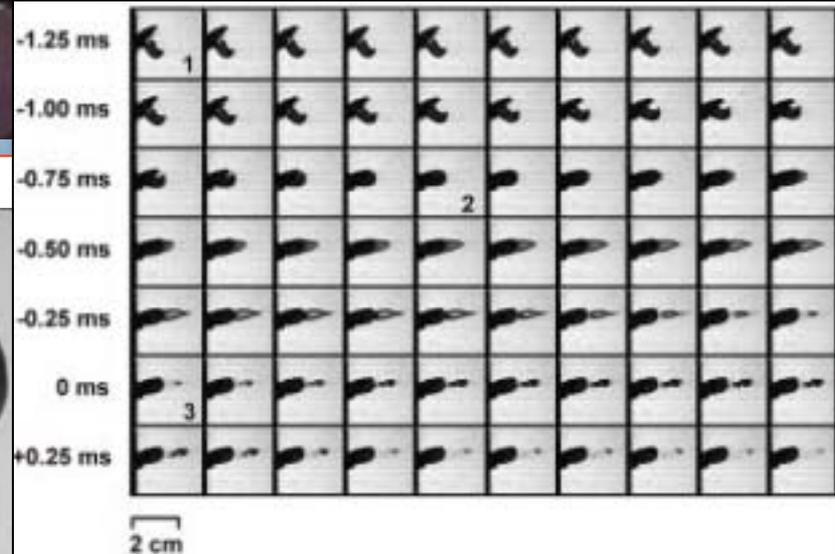
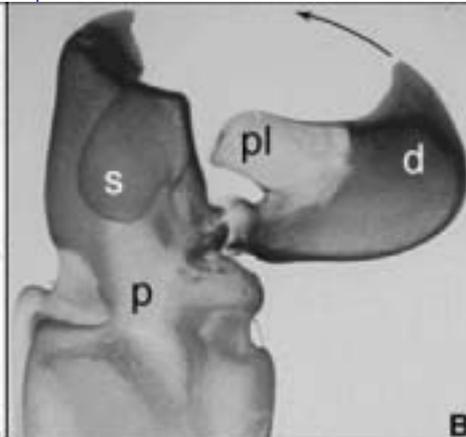
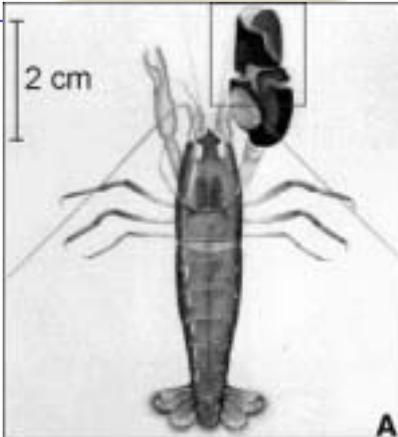
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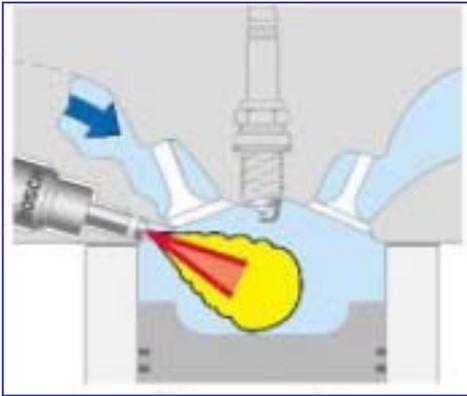
Spray Applications



How Snapping Shrimp Snap: Through Cavitating Bubbles
Versluis *et al.*, **Science** 289 2114 (2000)



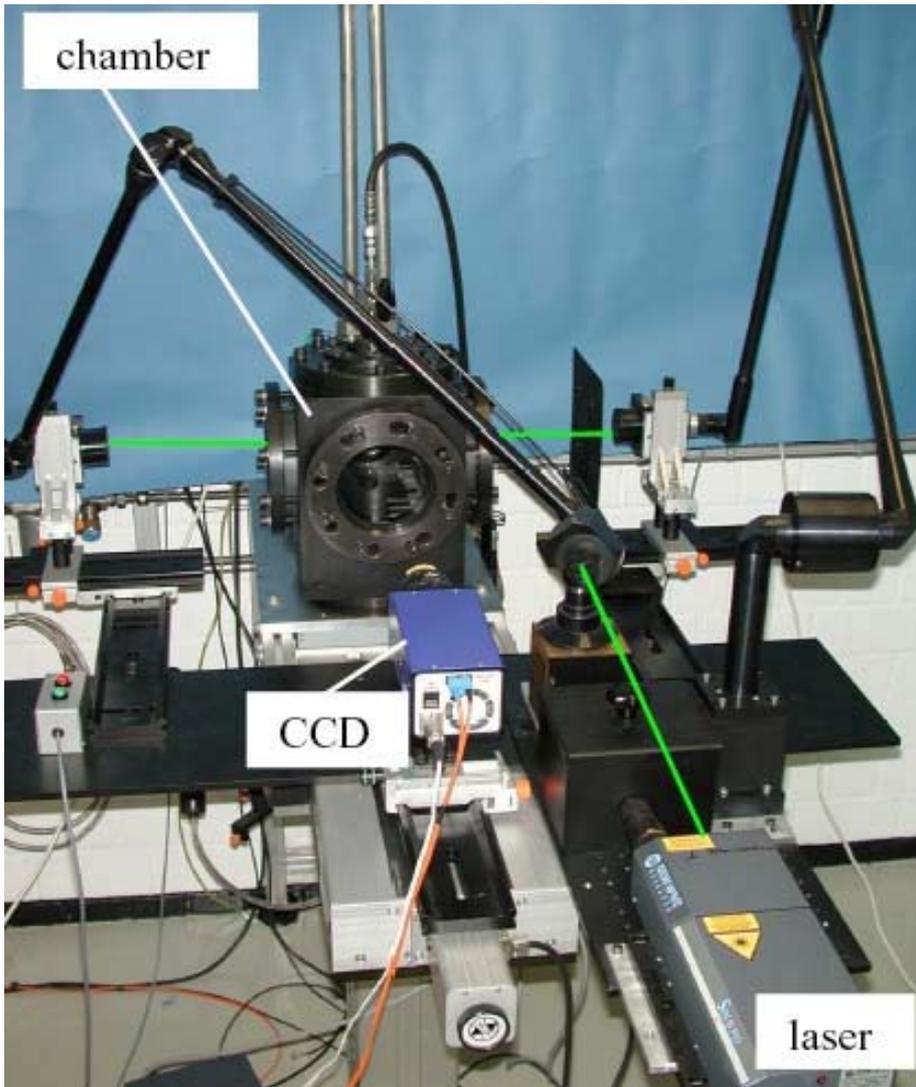
Fuel Sprays



- Liquid fuel sprays are part of energy sources for propulsion and transportation systems including internal combustion engines (ICE).
- Combined with development of new injection mechanism, study of fuel spray and combustion is aimed to achieve more economical use of fuels and better control of pollutants.
- Optimized fuel spray penetration, atomization and mix with air charge in cylinder is a key for a clean and efficient combustion.
- Realistic fuel spray characterization is the first step and crucial for a realistic combustion simulation.



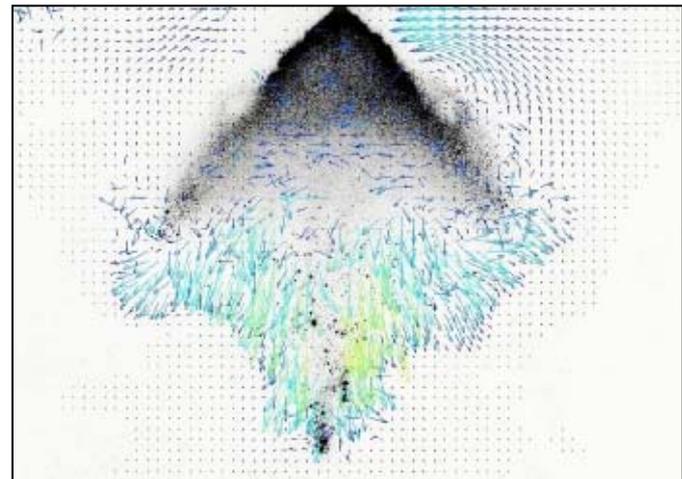
Conventional Diagnostics



- ❖ shadow, Mie, Schlieren imaging
- ❖ scattering
- ❖ laser-induced fluorescence
- ❖ interferometry

Pros and Cons

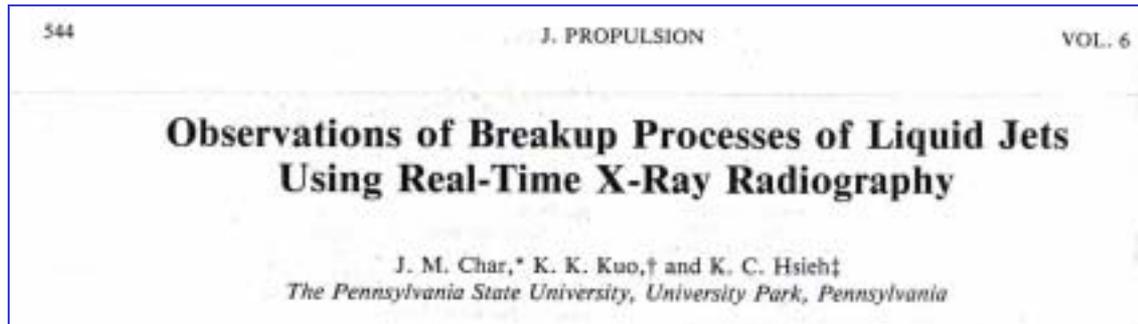
- non-intrusive
- temporally and spatially resolved
- commercially available
- opaque in region near a nozzle
- not quantitative close to nozzle



- Approaches
 - Time-resolved monochromatic x-ray radiography and tomography
- Diesel Sprays
 - Direct imaging of shock waves using fast 2-D detector
 - Quantitative analysis of Mach-cone
 - A *new era* of fluid dynamic simulation effort
- Gasoline Sprays
 - X-radiography from various directions
 - **Ultrafast X-Tomography**
- Summary and Outlook
 - Edge-enhanced, phase-contrast imaging
 - Through the nozzle
 - Imaging the liquid droplets
 - Particle imaging velocimetry
 - Micro- and nano-focusing for time-resolved, full-field imaging

X-radiography

- Polychromatic radiography have been demonstrated since 80's:



Limited to nozzles in large scale (a few mm)

$$I/I_0 = \int \rho(\lambda) e^{-\mu_m(\lambda) \cdot M} d\lambda / \int \rho(\lambda) d\lambda$$

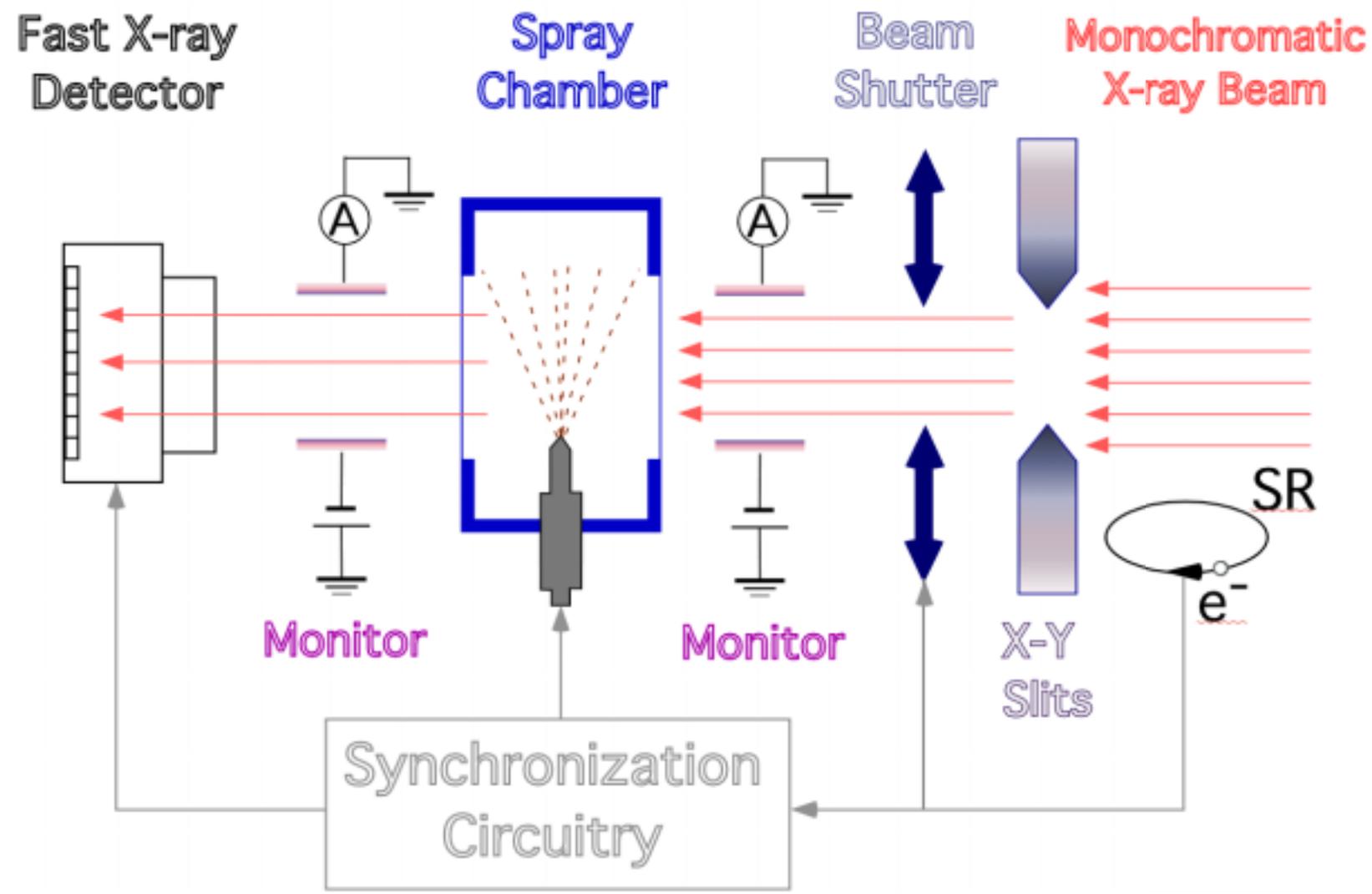
Difficult to obtain Quantitative results

- Use of monochromatic x-ray beam radiography makes determination of the fuel mass quantity in the beam () is EASY!

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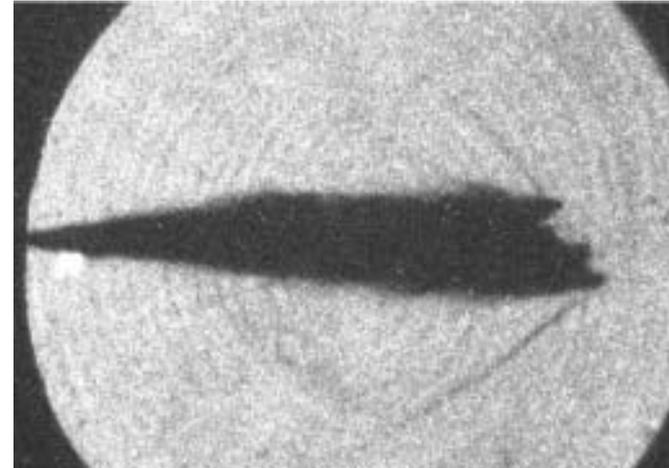
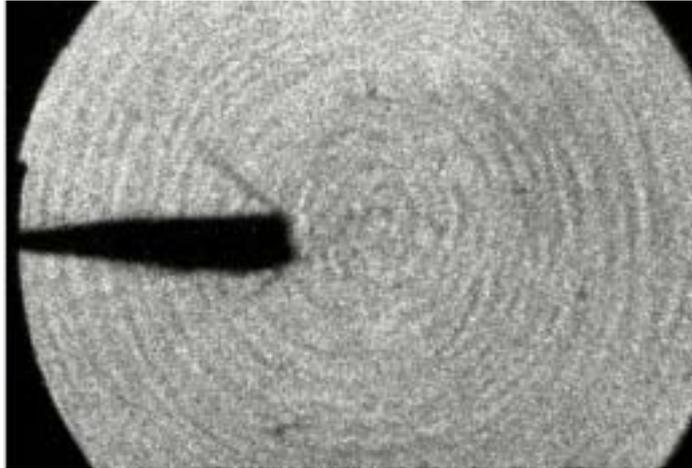
X-ray Transmission
 Mass absorption coefficient
 Fuel mass in the beam

Experiment Setup

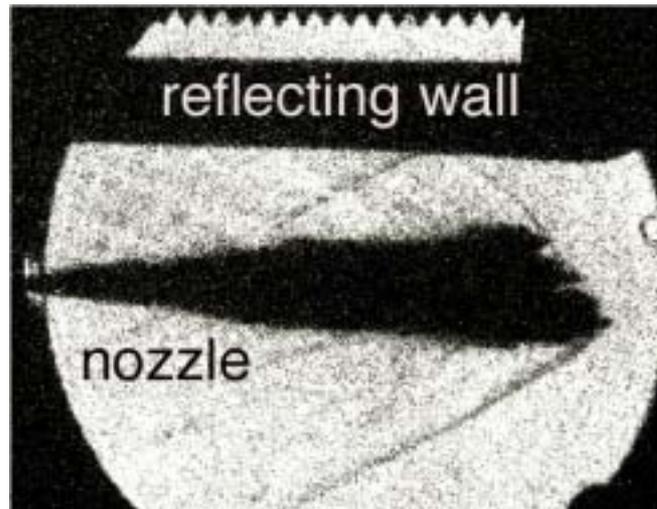


Shockwave Visualization

The first shock discovery was the shockwaves generated by fuel sprays



Reflection
off a wall



Parameters:

Injection pressure 80 MPa
Injection duration 0.5 ms
Ambient gas: SF₆ @ 0.1 MPa

images collected by
J. Schaller and J. Walter, Robert Bosch,
GmbH

Shockwave Visualization by X-rays

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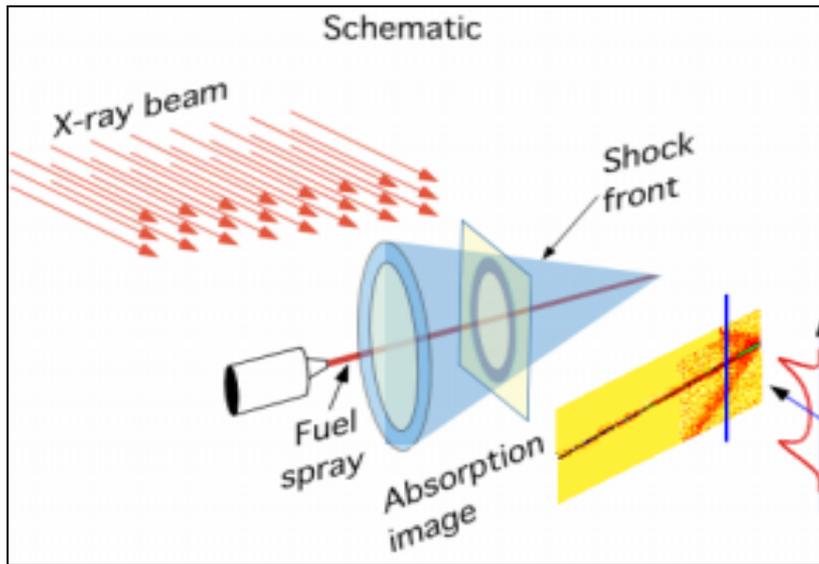
60 mm

Injection pressure: 135 MPa
Injection time: 0.5 ms
Ambient gas: 0.1 MPa SF₆

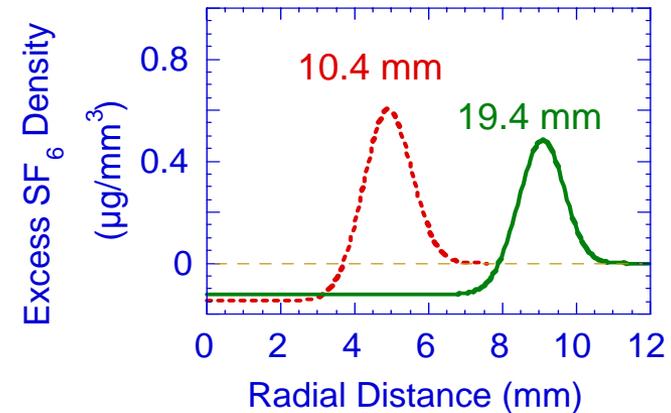
Data collected at D-1 station, CHESS:
Pixel Array Detector
Wide bandpass monochromator

MacPhee *et al.*, *Science*, **295**, 1261 (2002) with animation available on Science Website

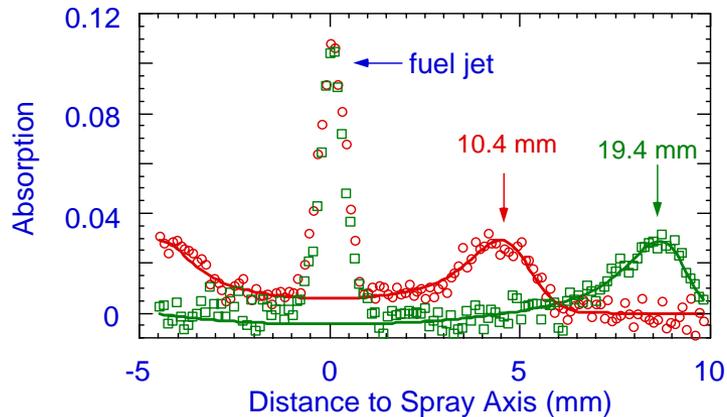
Quantitative Analysis



Density Deconvolution



Fit to line-of-sight-projected gas density

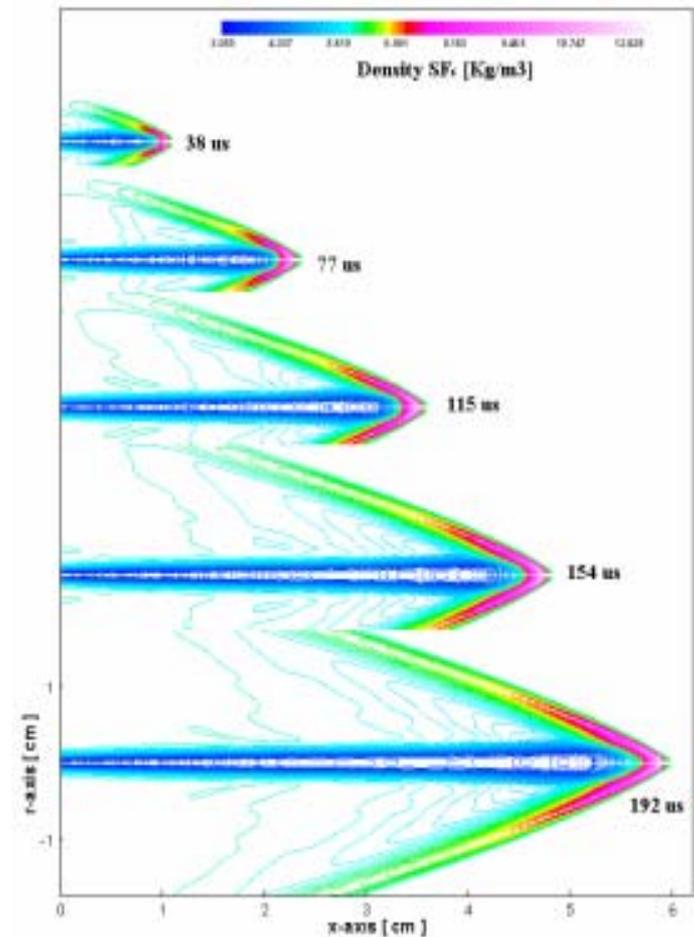
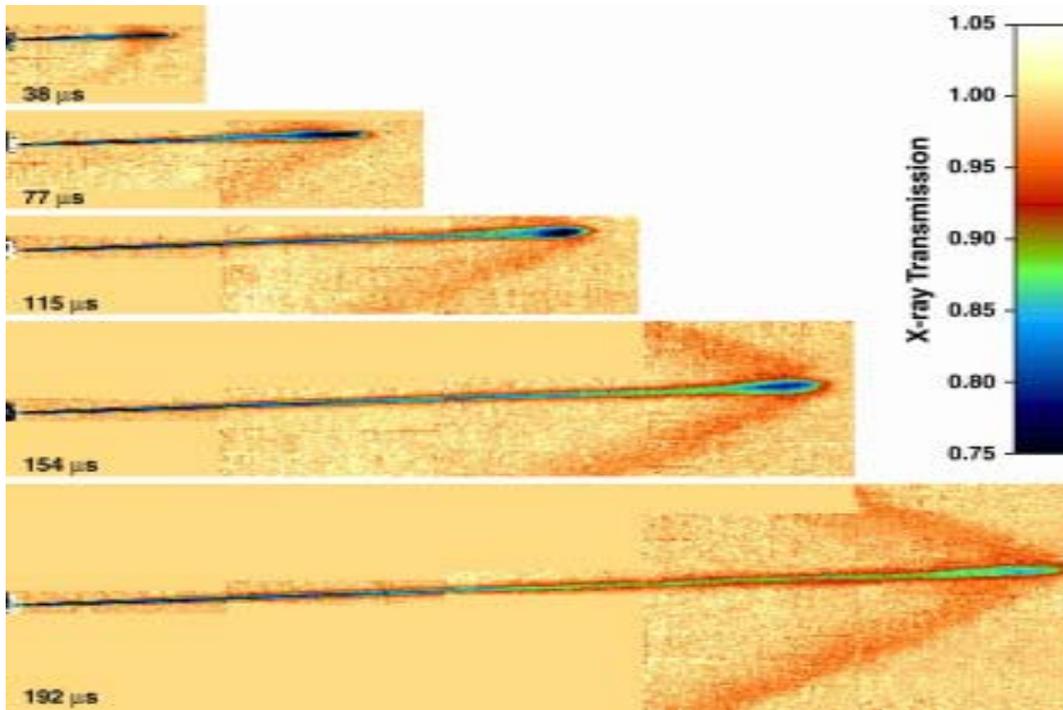


1. Mach cone gas distribution determined **quantitatively!**
2. **Decompression** behind the shock cone
3. **Soft shock**



CFD Simulation

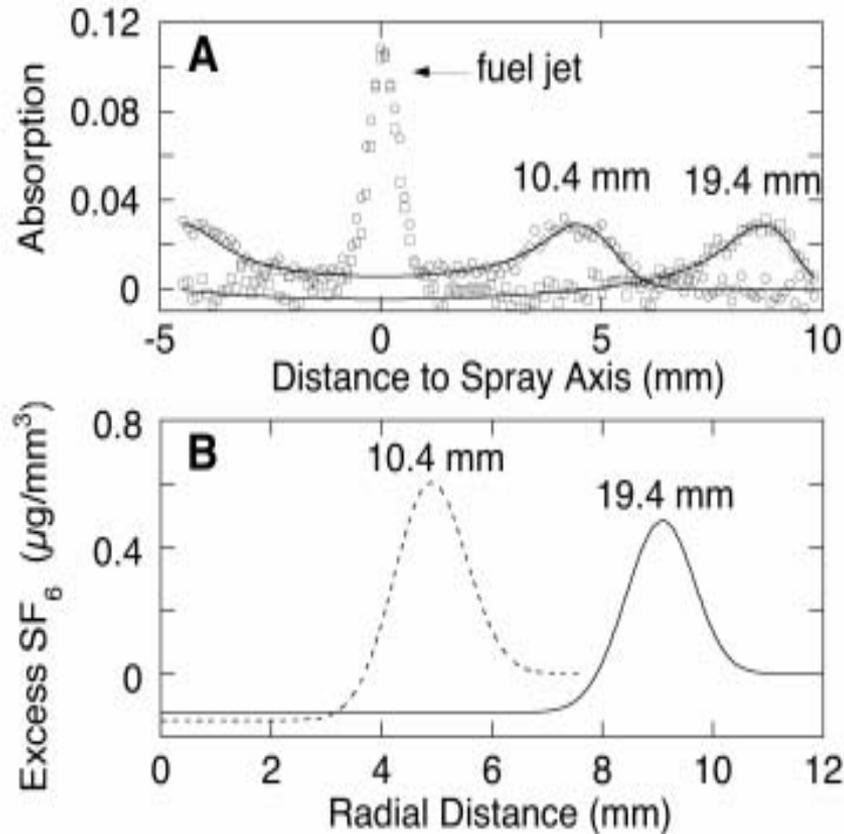
- Simulating shock waves with multiphase multidimension models
Simulation by **3ew Professor Ming-chia Lai and Dr. Kyun-su Im** at Wayne State University)



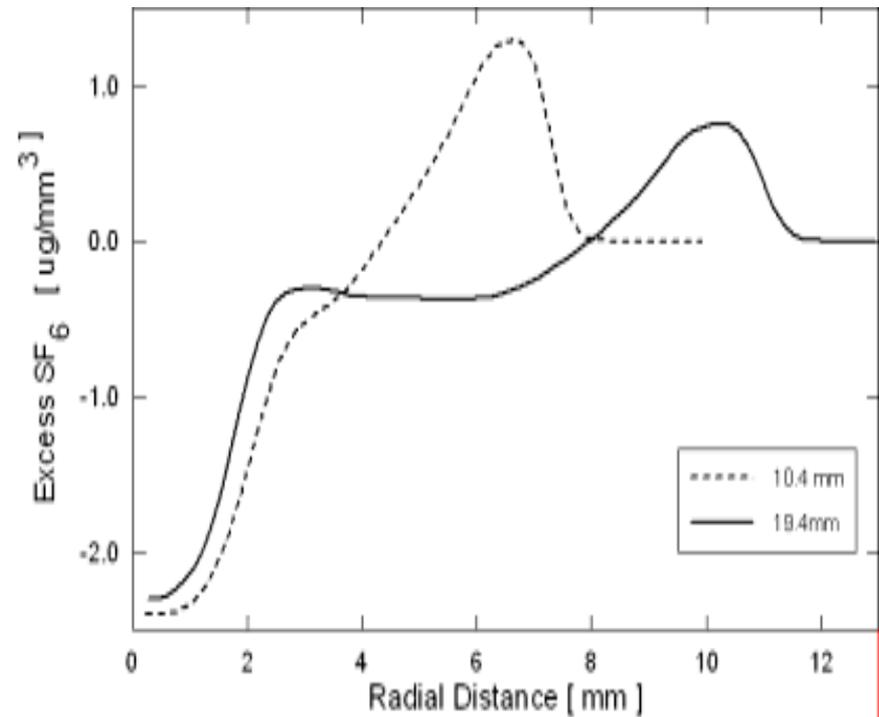
- Two phases: liquid particle and ambient gas
- Discrete particle tracking
- Nonevaporate sprays

CFD Simulation

Experiment



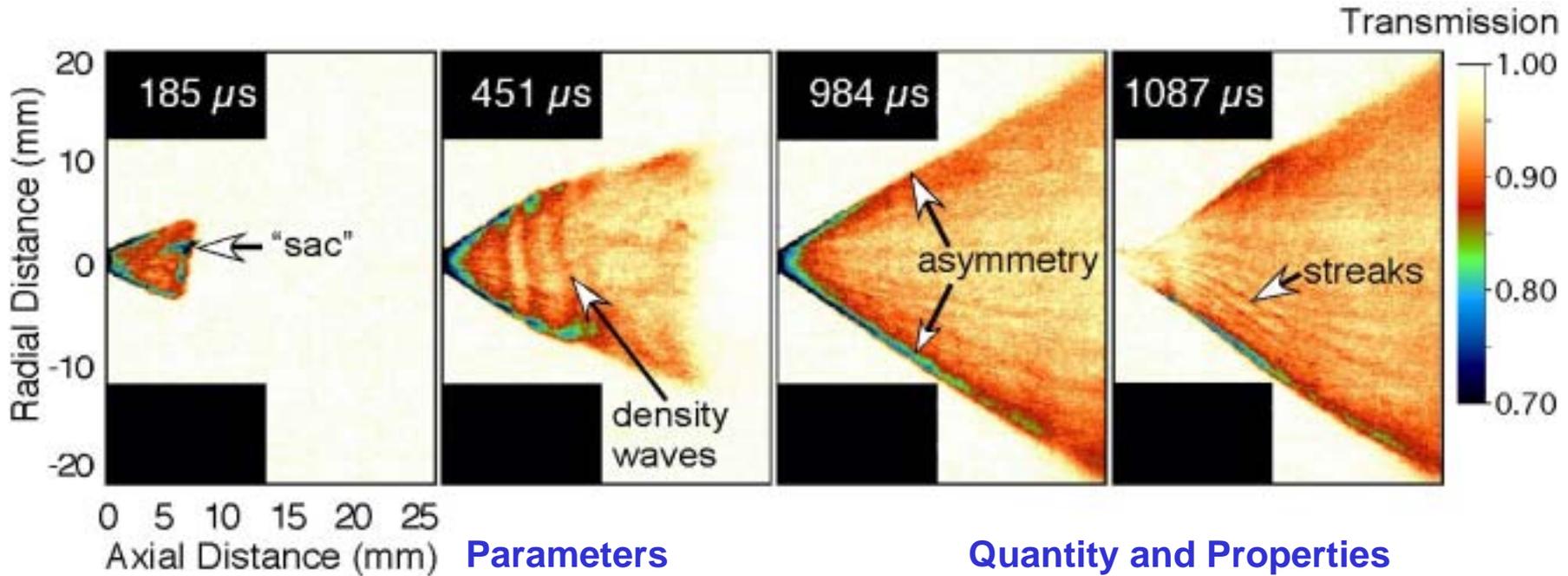
Simulation



Soft shock is real - not artifact

More details are revealed.

Gasoline Hollow-cone Sprays



Parameters

Injection system
Orifice diameter
Fill gas
Fuel
Specific gravity
Spray duration
Spray cone angle (full)
Region of interest

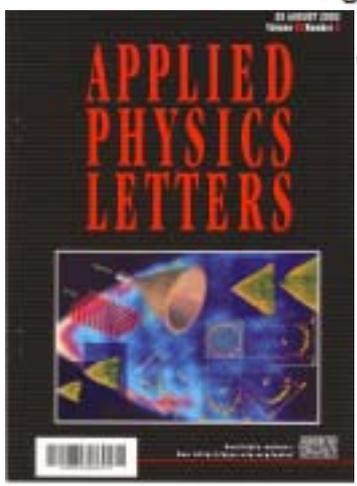
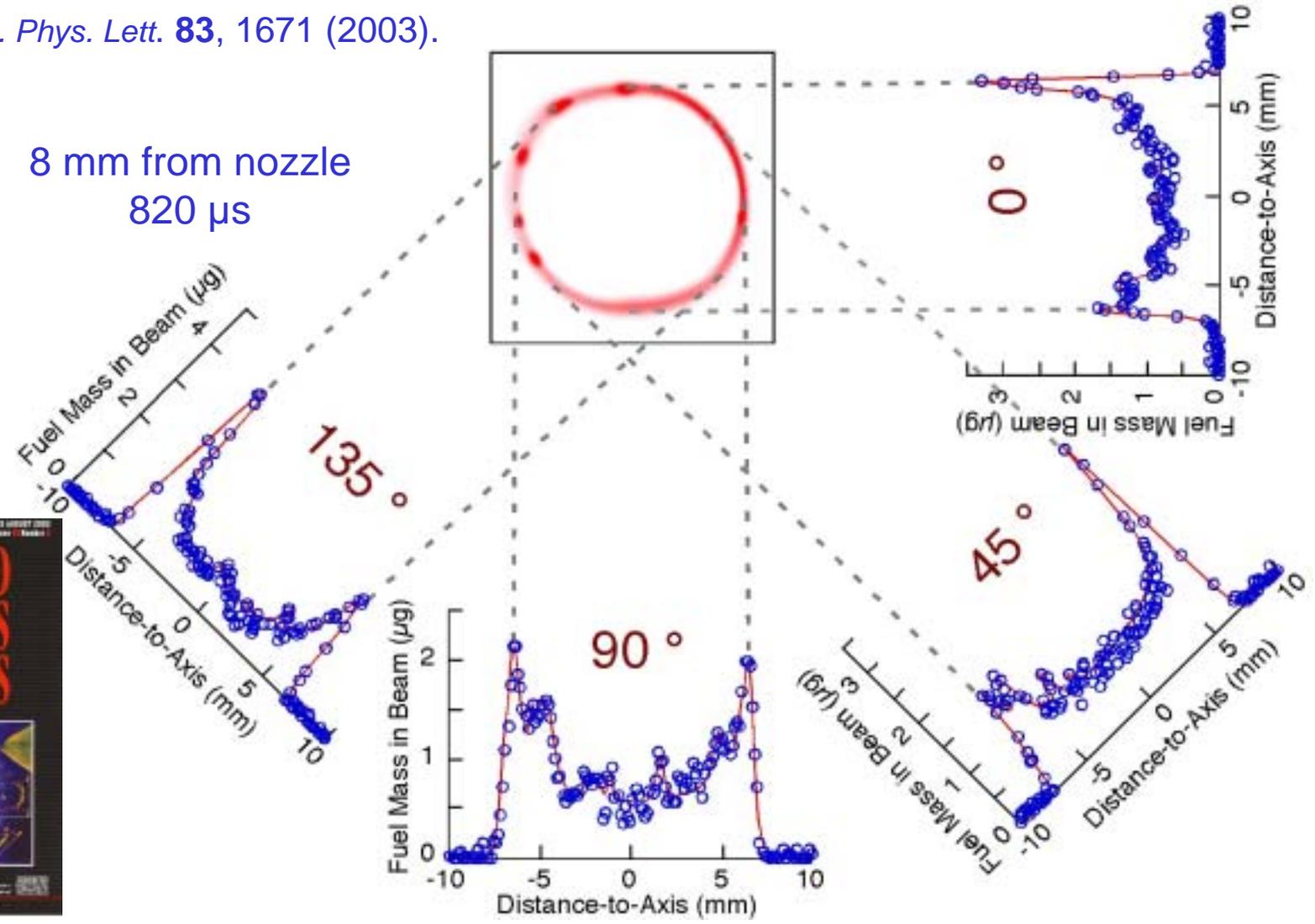
Quantity and Properties

GDI, outward opening nozzle
1.9 mm
 N_2 , 0.1 MPa, 25 – 30°C
Viscor® with Ce-additive
0.8405 g/ml
1 ms (nominal)
65° (0.1 MPa chamber pressure)
25 mm from the nozzle

Multi-orientational Radiography

Cai et al., *Appl. Phys. Lett.* **83**, 1671 (2003).

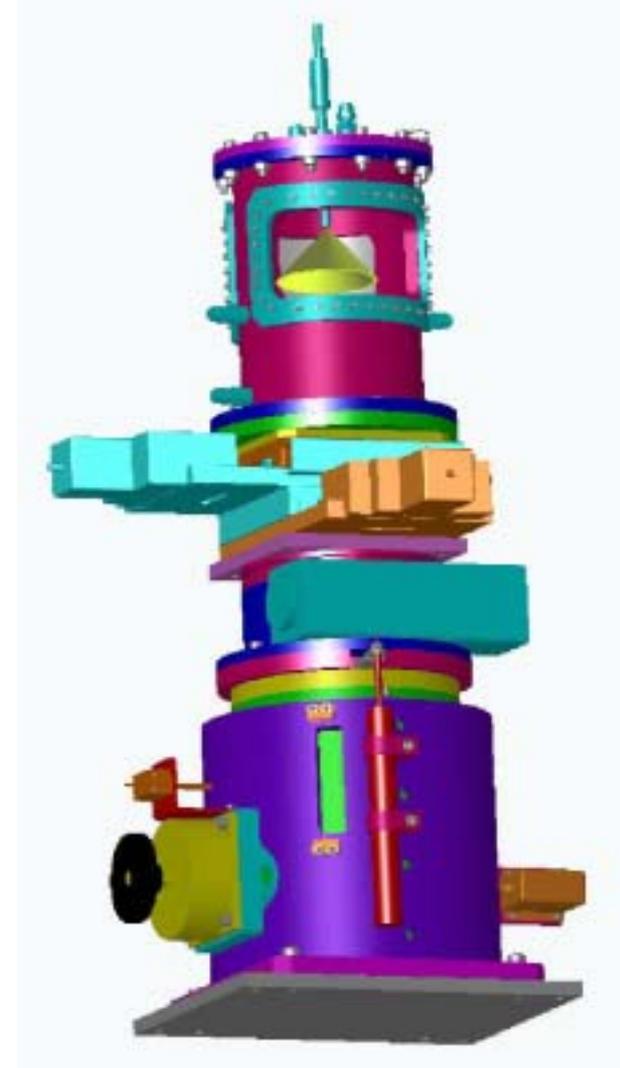
8 mm from nozzle
820 μ s



Ultrafast X-tomography

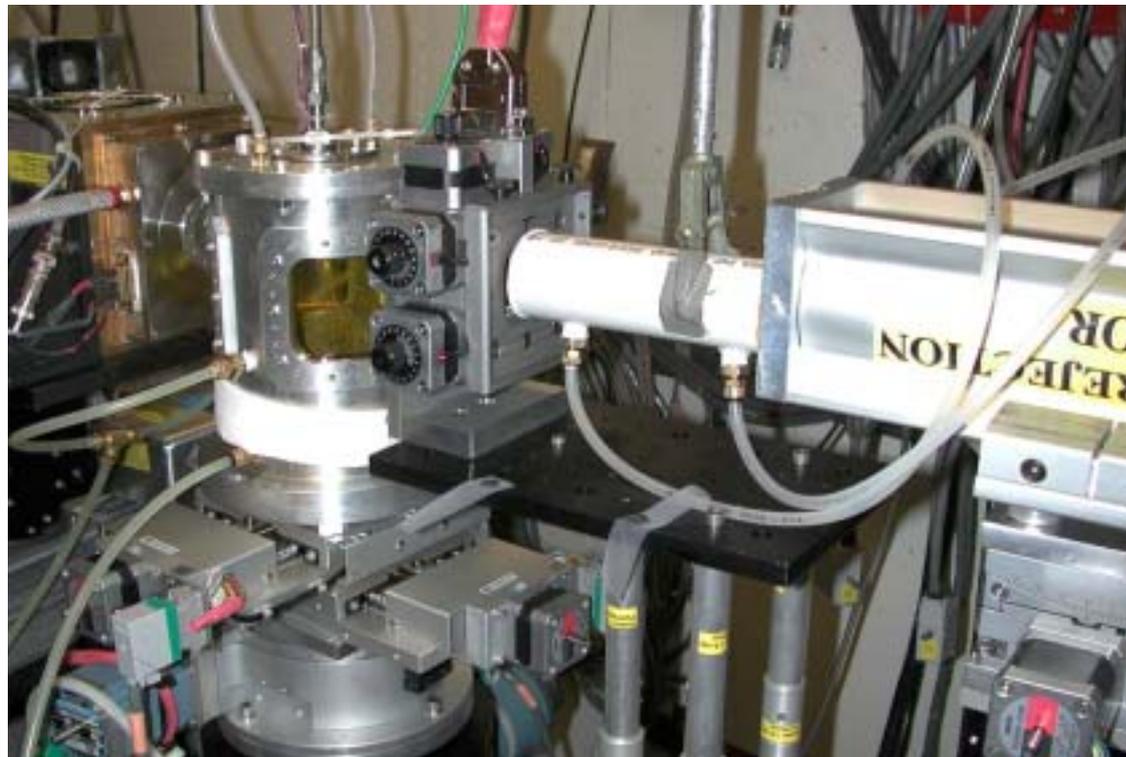
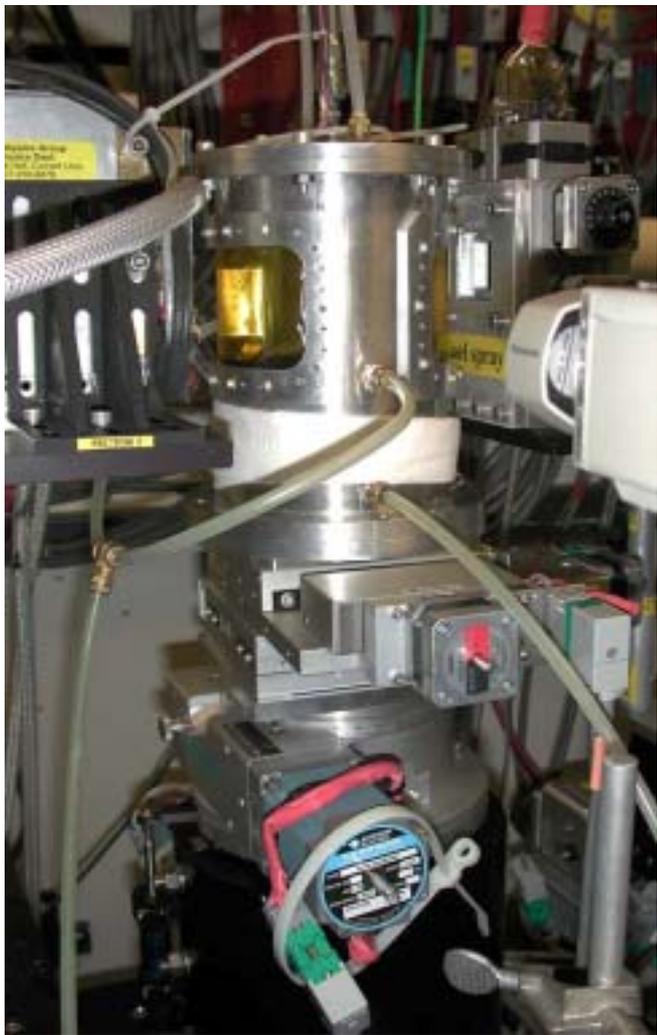
X-tomography is feasible, but many scientific and technical challenges need to be addressed:

- ❖ Environmental chamber for contain the spray
- ❖ Large x-ray transparent window
- ❖ High precision translation and rotation
- ❖ Precision timing
- ❖ Algorithm the handle time-resolved data
- ❖ Parallel computing



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First Attempt at CHESS



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- ❖ 5.1 μ s time-resolution, 76 time steps, 1 ms duration
- ❖ 1° angular steps, 180° total viewing angles
- ❖ 20 GB of data

Reconstruction from Data

3.8 mm from the nozzle, 490 μ s from the start of the injection

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Reconstruction Goodness

Reconstructed Spray

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Reconstructed Hollow-Cone Spray

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Surface View

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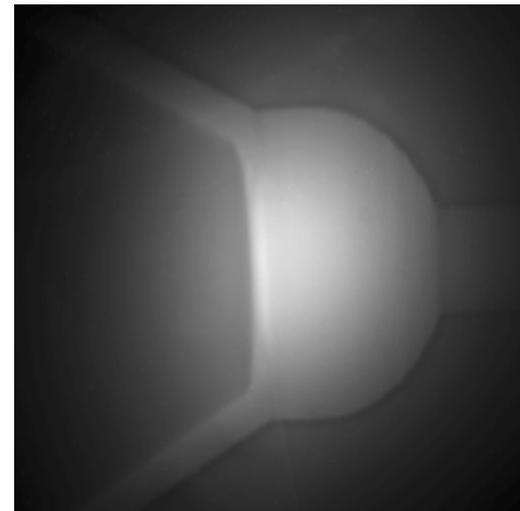
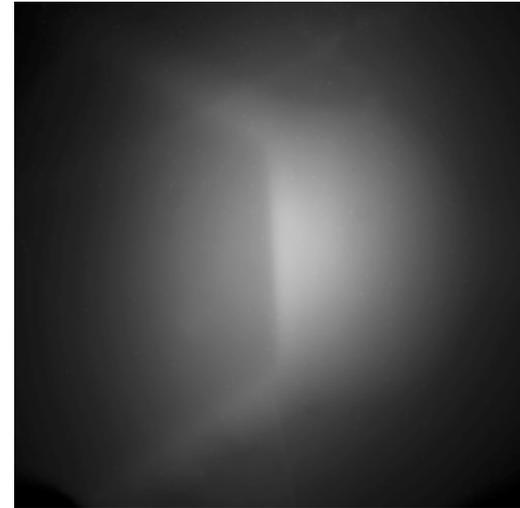
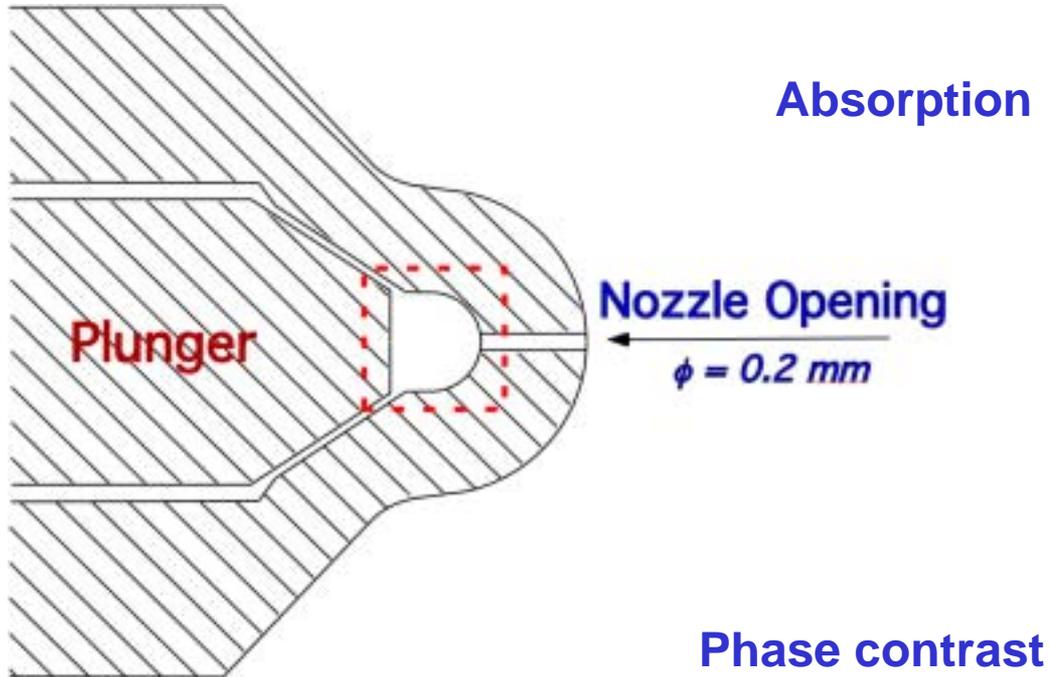


Summary

- Many new discoveries on high-pressure fuel sprays have been made during the past three years.
- The experiments revealed **quantitatively** and **unambiguously** many characteristics of fuel sprays that were never previously known and/or that could not be measured by any other means.
- This technique has broken a new ground for fuel spray research and can be well-suited for studying transient events in **dense plasmas** and other **optically opaque structures**.
- The time-resolved tomography has been first demonstrated!
- Possibility of look through a real nozzle!

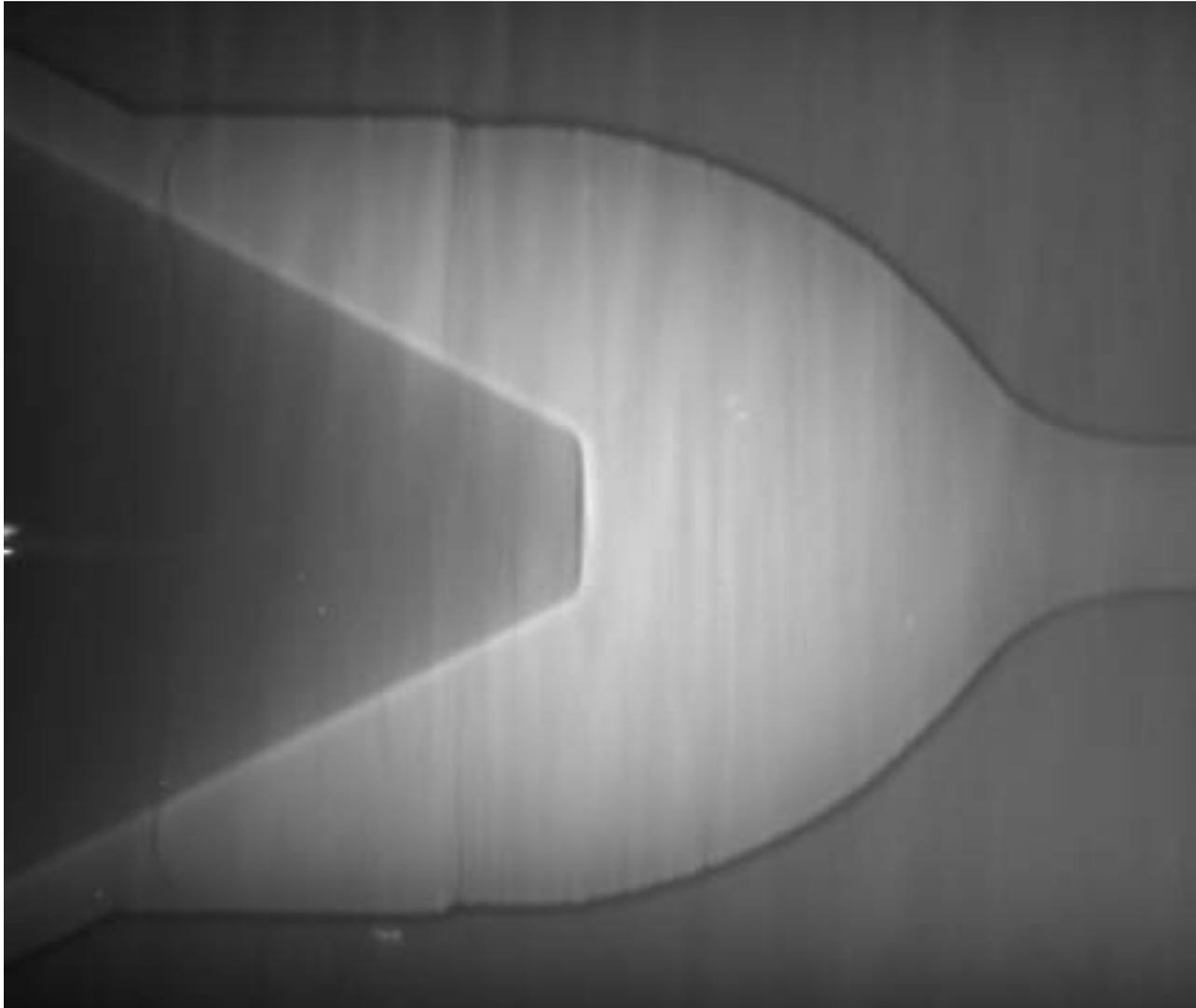
Edge-Enhanced Phase-Contrast

Collaborated with **Kamel Fezzaa** and **Wah-Keat Lee** of XFD/ANL



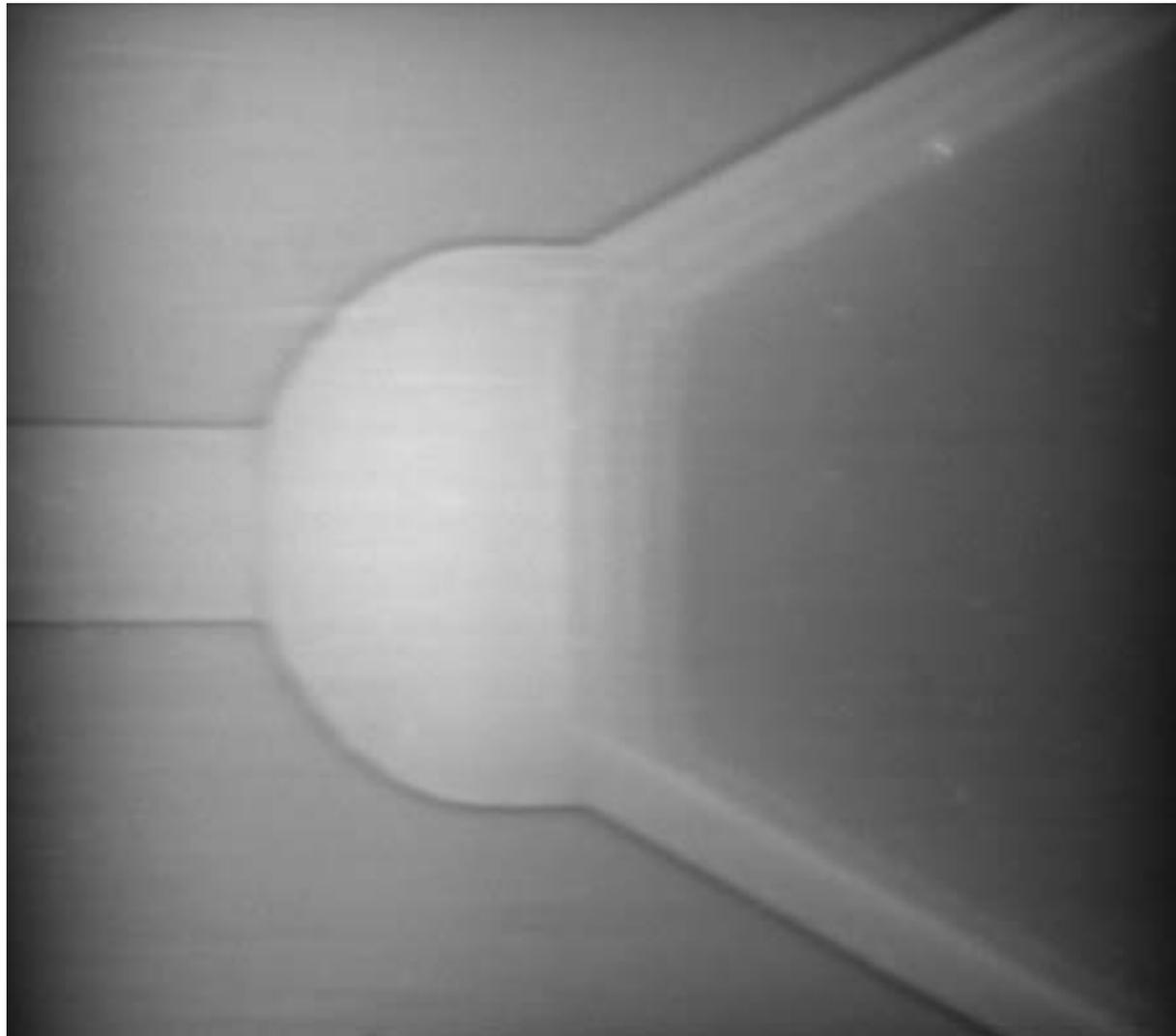
70 keV monochromatic beam (1ID, APS)

Filtered White Beam



Data
collected
at 7-ID,
APS

Ultrafast Imaging



Data
collected
at 7-ID,
APS

The Action of Needle!

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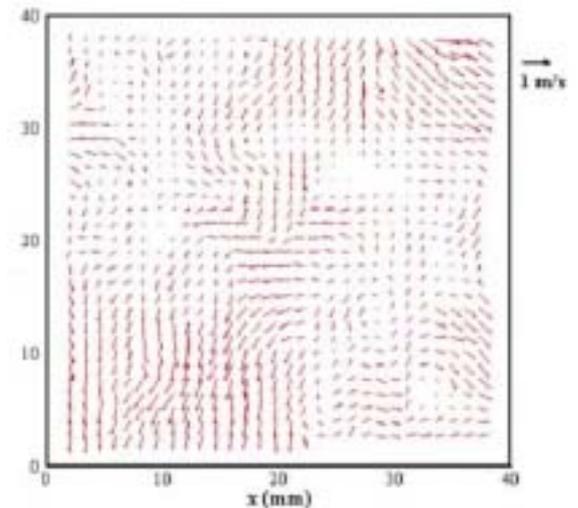
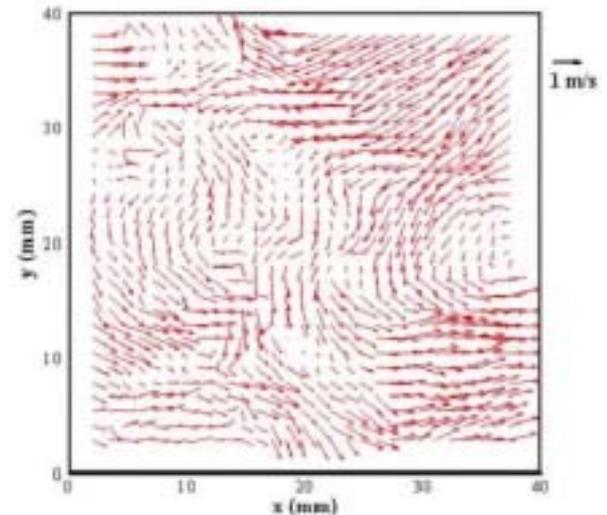
Bubbles!

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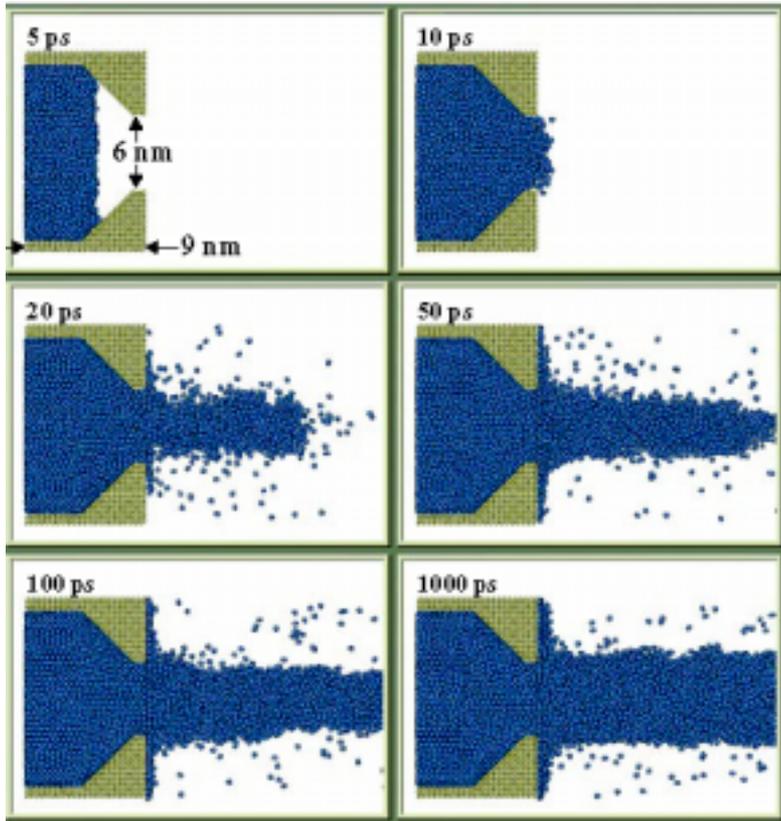
Future Directions

- **Ultrafast time-resolved phase-contrast image of liquid droplets outside of nozzles**
 - Microfocusing filtered white beam
- **X-ray version of particle imaging velocimetry**
 - Matured technique using laser imaging methods
 - Phase-contrast imaging provide enhanced particle edge detectability
 - Penetration ability of x-ray beam well-suited for multiphase flow with gas/liquid/solid mixture.

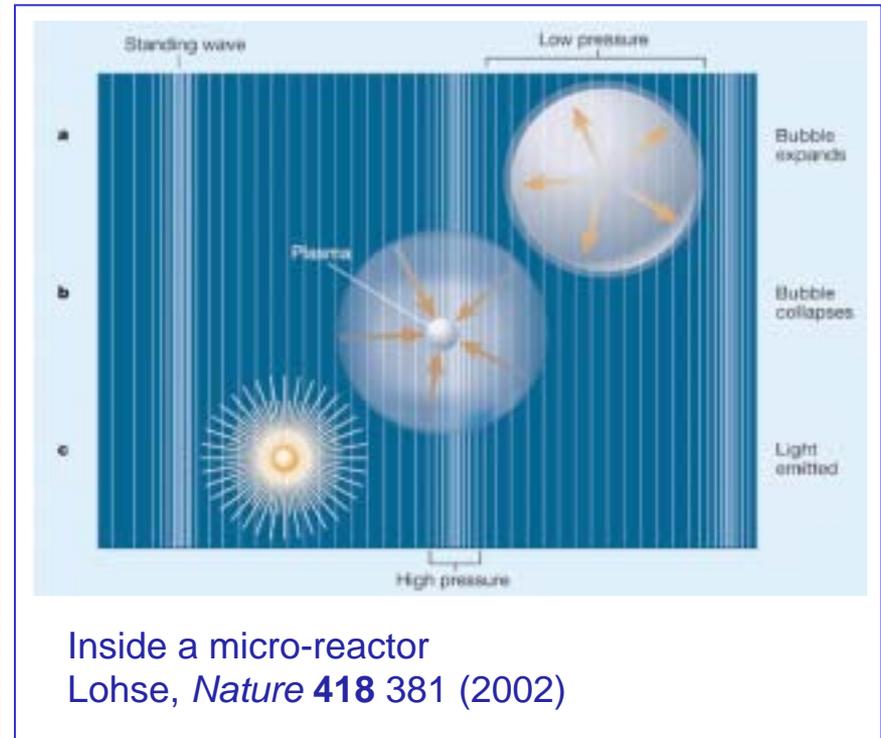


Future Directions

For smaller object, better than μm spatial resolution is needed, which demands Micro- and nano-focusing for phase contrast time-resolved, full-field imaging



Formation, Stability, and Breakup of Nanojets
Moseler & Landman, *Science* **289** 1165 (2000)





Penetrating
Vision

Now you see it? X-rays are probing the unknowns of fuel injector sprays.

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